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NOTICE OF STAFF WORKSHOP FOR THE UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK (UST) CLEANUP PROGRAM AND UST CLEANUP FUND (FUND) TASK FORCE FORMATION / BRAINSTORMING MEETING

Thursday, June 11, 2009
9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Joe Serna, Jr. Cal/EPA Headquarters Building
Byron Sher Auditorium – Second Floor
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At the direction of the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) at its board meeting on May 19, 2009, a task force will be created to make recommendations for improvements to the Fund administrative procedures and response to the current cash shortage. Also, this task force will identify issues to be addressed in an independent program and fiscal audit of the Fund conducted at the request of the State Water Board. A separate task force will be created to address improvements to the UST cleanup regulatory program including proposed approaches to risk-based cleanup.

The first general meeting of both task forces will occur on Thursday June 11, 2009 and will be open to all interested parties. The Fund Task Force will meet in the morning (9:00 AM to 12:00 PM) and the UST Cleanup Program Task Force will meet in the afternoon (1:00 PM to 4:00 PM). The principal goal of this first meeting will be to establish the two task forces with representatives from the various stakeholder groups, i.e., State and Regional Water Board staff, Local Oversight Program agencies, consultants, UST owners/operators, and environmental groups and to develop priorities and set meeting schedules. At the direction of the State Water Board, these groups will meet at least every other month, and will submit final recommendations to the State Water Board by January 1, 2010. As issues are identified, staff will bring items requiring immediate board action to a regularly scheduled meeting of the State Water Board.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact Lori Casias of the Fund at lcasias@waterboards.ca.gov or 916-341-5650. You do not need to register for the June 11, 2009 meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting, you can view it via webcast at: <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/>.